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On Behalf Of:
Committee: House Committee On Education
Measure: SB767

I OPPOSE SB 767.

All reasonable efforts should be made to accommodate the practicalities of running charter schools in or near sponsoring school district boundaries, especially those boundaries that are being adjusted. This bill would hurt charter schools that cannot reasonably find a home within the boundary, or suddenly find themselves outside an adjusted boundary. It wreaks of state-sponsored discrimination against charter schools based on a petty technicality and malicious compliance to rules that should be more akin to "should" than "shall." There should be an expectation that a charter school make a good faith attempt to establish itself, or remain in, the sponsoring district's boundary, but no expectation that the State pull the plug if it cannot. Refer to all the opposing testimony brought by people associated with charter schools "almost within the sponsoring district's boundary." Be reasonable. VOTE NO.